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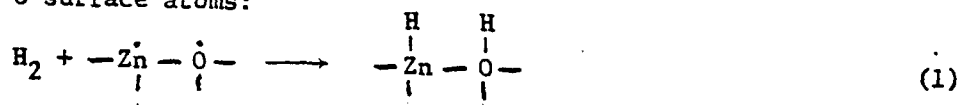
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## I. Introduction

The adsorption of  $H_2$  on ZnO has received renewed attention in recent years because ZnO is a primary component in commercial methanol synthesis catalysts (1). Klier (2) has suggested that the role of the ZnO component in these catalysts is to provide sites for the dissociative adsorption of  $H_2$ , since  $H_2$  is known to adsorb dissociatively on pure ZnO (3-5). The active sites for this so-called Type I adsorption of  $H_2$  on pure ZnO consist of pairs of Zn and O surface atoms:



However, little additional information is available about the geometry of Type I adsorption sites on ZnO.

One method for obtaining information about the geometry of adsorbed species is to measure their vibrational frequency shifts as a function of adsorbate coverage (6). These frequency shifts contain information about both the separation and the relative orientation of adsorbed species. By varying both the total coverage and the isotopic composition of the adsorbate, it is possible to separate the dynamic dipole contribution to the frequency shift from the contribution due to static dipole or chemically-induced interactions (7).

Previous workers have reported that the coverage-induced ZnH and OH frequency shifts on ZnO were independent of isotopic composition (8). However, while performing experiments for our previously reported study of the energetics of Type I  $H_2$  adsorption (5), we observed that the isotopic frequency shift behavior was somewhat more complex. Moreover, a quantitative discussion of the cause of the frequency shifts for Type I adsorption has not been given. Therefore, the present investigation was undertaken.

*as a function of coverage*

In this paper we report the coverage-induced frequency shifts for pure  $H_2$  and pure  $D_2$  adsorbed on ZnO, and for  $H_2:D_2$  adsorbate layers as a function of composition. By comparing the pure- and mixed- isotope results, we show that the ZnH shift is primarily caused by dynamic dipole interactions, while the OH shift is mainly due to static interactions. Possible geometries for the Type I adsorption sites are discussed, and evidence is given supporting the partially reconstructed ZnO (0001) surface. Using this geometry, we show that the observed ZnH shift is described quite well by Hammaker's model for dynamic dipole interactions (10). We also discuss possible causes for the observed OH shift, and conclude that the static shift contains two contributions with opposite signs: An electrostatic effect that can be described by Buckingham's treatment of local environment effects (11), and an inductive effect caused by electron localization at neighboring adsorption sites, which produces a change in the reference adsorbate bond polarity.

## II. Experimental

The IR sample cell and ion-pumped gas handling system used in this work were described previously (5). The ZnO samples (Kadox-25, New Jersey Zinc Co.) were prepared as pressed disks, evacuated to 673 K, and cooled in  $O_2$  to improve IR transmission. Adsorbate gases ( $H_2$ , HD, and  $D_2$ ; Matheson) were used as received. *ND*  
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Absolute intensity measurements for all four species (OH, OD, ZnH, ZnD) as a function of coverage were obtained by recording IR spectra of known amounts of  $H_2$  or  $D_2$  adsorbed on a sample. The amount of each gas adsorbed was determined by measuring the area under its temperature-programmed desorption curve (5). The integrated IR intensities were evaluated approximately as the product of the height of the absorbance peak times the full width at half maximum. We estimate the accuracy of specific absorbance values determined in this way to be  $\pm 10\%$ .

Infrared frequency shifts in the pure adsorbate experiments were measured at 300 K by varying the pressure of  $H_2$  or  $D_2$  in the cell from zero to 100 torr. Adsorbate coverages in these experiments were determined from the IR intensities. For the mixed isotope experiments, the sample was exposed to  $H_2:D_2$  mixtures of various compositions at a constant total pressure of 88 torr, in order to maintain saturation coverage of the Type I sites.

### III. Results

Survey spectra of pure  $H_2$  and pure  $D_2$  adsorbed separately on ZnO are shown in Fig. 1. The lower curve shows the background absorbance of an evacuated sample, with features at  $3700-3400\text{ cm}^{-1}$  and  $1600-1300\text{ cm}^{-1}$  due to residual  $OH^-$  and  $CO_3^{2-}$  species, respectively. The spectra obtained with 75 torr of either  $H_2$  or  $D_2$  are shown superposed in the upper curve. Where changes from the background spectrum are observed, the solid line shows the features caused by  $H_2$  adsorption and the dashed line shows features caused by  $D_2$  adsorption. At full coverage, adsorbed  $H_2$  produces peaks at  $\omega_{OH} = 3481\text{ cm}^{-1}$  and  $\omega_{ZnH} = 1712\text{ cm}^{-1}$ , while adsorbed  $D_2$  produces isotopically shifted peaks at  $\omega_{OD} = 2579\text{ cm}^{-1}$  and  $\omega_{ZnD} = 1232\text{ cm}^{-1}$ .

The specific absorbance for each species,  $A_i$ , is evaluated from the intensity vs. coverage measurements. The intensities for OH and ZnH were shown in our previous paper, and are described by the algebraic expressions:

$$N_{OH} = 0.33 I_{OH} + 0.10 I_{OH}^2 \quad (2-a)$$

$$N_{ZnH} = 0.17 I_{ZnH} + 0.05 I_{ZnH}^2 \quad (2-b)$$

where  $N_i$  is the amount of each species present on the sample ( $\mu\text{mole}$ ) and  $I_i$  is the integrated intensity ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ). The corresponding expressions for OD and ZnD determined in this work are:

$$N_{OD} = 0.83 I_{OD} + 0.07 I_{OD}^2 \quad (2-c)$$

$$N_{ZnD} = 0.53 I_{ZnD} + 0.14 I_{ZnD}^2 \quad (2-d)$$

The specific absorbance,  $A_i$  (cm/mole), is then given by (13):

$$A_i = 2.303 \times 10^6 a I_i / N_i \quad (3)$$

where  $a$  is the cross-sectional area of the sample disk ( $0.97 \text{ cm}^2$ ). The zero-coverage limit of  $A_i$  is obtained by combining the linear portions of Eqs. (2-a to 2-d) with Eq. (3). The dipole derivative,  $(\partial\mu/\partial r)_i$ , which is necessary for the frequency shift calculations described below, is given by (13):

$$(\partial\mu/\partial r)_i^2 = (3c^2 m_r / N_{AV} \pi) A_i \quad (4)$$

where  $c$  is the speed of light,  $m_r$  is the reduced mass of the oscillator, and  $N_{AV}$  is Avogadro's number. The values of  $(\partial\mu/\partial r)_i$  obtained in this way are listed in Table 1 (see below). We note that the value for OH ( $1.27 \text{ D/A}$ ) is comparable to that reported by Brown for  $\text{CH}_3\text{OH}$  in  $\text{CCl}_4$  ( $1.47 \text{ D/A}$ ) (14); no comparison is available for ZnH.

The coverage dependence of the IR stretching frequencies observed in the pure component experiments is shown in Fig. 2. The results for  $\text{H}_2$  adsorption are taken from our previous work (5), while the results for  $\text{D}_2$  were obtained with a new sample having a slightly higher surface area. We see that  $\omega_{OH}$  and  $\omega_{OD}$  decrease as adsorbate concentration increases. The total shifts are  $-17 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  for  $\omega_{OH}$  and  $-10 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  for  $\omega_{OD}$ . In contrast,  $\omega_{ZnH}$  and  $\omega_{ZnD}$  increase as coverage increases. The total shifts are also smaller, being  $5 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  for  $\omega_{ZnH}$  and  $3.5 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  for  $\omega_{OD}$ . These results are consistent with the work of previous authors (3, 4, 8).

In Fig. 3, we show the frequency shifts observed in the mixed-isotope experiments as a function of gas-phase composition. The total pressure in the cell was kept constant, and the H:D ratio of the gas phase was varied. The total pressure was high enough that the Type I sites were always saturated. Thus, the total adsorbate concentration is constant, and only the isotopic

composition of the adsorbate layer is changing. In this work we are primarily concerned with the maximum frequency shifts observed at the two composition extremes, and show the shifts at intermediate composition for completeness.

? Therefore we retain gas-phase composition as the independent variable in Fig. 3, although we did observe evidence for a slight enrichment of OD and ZnD in the adsorbed phase, relative to the gas phase H:D ratio.

From Fig. 3 we see that  $\omega_{OH}$  and  $\omega_{OD}$  are essentially independent of isotopic composition. For example,  $\omega_{OH} = 3486 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ , regardless of whether it is surrounded by OH or OD neighbors. This shows that the coverage-induced frequency shifts of  $\omega_{OH}$  and  $\omega_{OD}$  are caused by static interactions with neighboring adsorbates. The shifts in  $\omega_{OH}$  and  $\omega_{OD}$  cannot be due to dynamic interactions, because dynamic effects, which are strongest between isotopically identical species and which should be negligible between H- and D- oscillators, would produce an isotope effect in the frequency shifts; no such effect is seen in  $\omega_{OH}$  and  $\omega_{OD}$ .

In contrast, there is an isotope effect in the ZnD and ZnH frequency shifts:  $\omega_{ZnD}$  increases as the concentration of D-species in the adsorbate layer increases, and  $\omega_{ZnH}$  increases as the concentration of H-species increases. In fact, the overall frequency shift and the linear behavior with respect to composition are nearly the same as those observed in the pure component experiments, and appear to be unaffected by the presence of the complementary isotope. This shows that the ZnD and ZnH frequency shifts are due primarily to dynamic interactions, and that purely static effects cancel each other or are absent between Zn-H species.



#### IV. Discussion

Coverage-induced frequency shifts in vibrational spectra of adsorbates can be induced by either dynamic or static interactions between molecules. These two types of shift can be distinguished experimentally, since dynamic shifts depend only on the concentration of isotopically similar neighbors, while static shifts are independent of the isotopic composition of surrounding neighbors (7).

Dynamic shifts are generally attributed to electrodynamic interactions between oscillating dipoles. The theoretical model which describes dynamic frequency shifts was developed by Hamaker (10), and has subsequently been discussed by several authors (15-19). All of these discussions have involved adsorbates on metal surfaces, so that the prediction of frequency shifts required certain assumptions regarding the effects of image dipoles. The present work allows a much more straightforward application of dynamic coupling theory.

In contrast, static shifts may be caused by either electrostatic or chemical interactions, or both. In order to identify the magnitude of the chemically-induced shift, which is the quantity of greater interest to the catalytic chemist, it is first necessary to identify the electrostatic component of the observed shift. To estimate this quantity, we have modified Buckingham's (11) treatment of solvent-induced frequency shifts to describe the effect of the electric field due to a neighboring dipole.

In what follows, we shall first discuss the most probable adsorption site geometry. We then consider the dynamic and electrostatic frequency shifts. For both types of interaction, we will calculate the shifts predicted for two occupied nearest neighbor pair sites and then multiply these quantities by the surface Madelung constant (vide infra) to obtain the total predicted shifts, for comparison with the observed shifts. The difference between the

observed static shift and the predicted electrostatic shift then represents the chemically induced shift. We will conclude by offering a qualitative explanation for the latter quantity, based on inductive interactions between adsorbates.

Adsorption site geometry. To perform the frequency shift calculations, it is necessary to specify the geometry of neighboring adsorbates. Boccuzzi et al. (9) have suggested that Type I  $H_2$  adsorption occurs on a polar  $ZnO$  ( $000\bar{1}$ ) surface. The outermost layer of this surface consists of a hexagonal array of oxide ions, with one fourth of the ions removed in order to eliminate the intrinsic surface dipole layer that would be present on an ideally terminated surface. One argument presented by those authors in support of the  $ZnO$  ( $000\bar{1}$ ) surface is that each missing O anion exposes a cluster of three adjacent Zn cations. Experimental evidence for such clusters of Zn cations is given by  $CO:H_2$  co-adsorption studies, which indicate that the Zn cation in a Type I adsorption site has two neighboring exposed Zn cations (9, 26).

Alternatively, we note that a reconstructed  $ZnO$  ( $0001$ ) surface, which consists of an hexagonal array of Zn cations with one fourth of the cations missing, can also provide clusters of adjacent, exposed Zn cations (c.f. Fig. 4). We believe there are two pieces of experimental evidence which favor the  $ZnO$  ( $0001$ ) surface. First, the OH stretching region of the  $ZnO$  background spectrum is unchanged by  $H_2$  adsorption. This suggests that there are no surface OH groups in the areas where  $H_2$  adsorption occurs. It is reasonable to expect that the Zn-rich  $ZnO$  ( $0001$ ) surface may terminate with bare Zn cations, any initially present OH groups being driven off as water during the  $400^\circ C$  pre-treatment. In contrast, one would expect at least part of the O-rich  $ZnO$  ( $000\bar{1}$ ) surface to be terminated by OH groups. Thus, we can also conclude that the observed background OH species are due to  $ZnO$  crystal faces on which  $H_2$  does not adsorb.

The second piece of evidence is that the ZnH species show a dynamic frequency shift, while the OH species do not. As discussed below, this suggests that the ZnH species are parallel and vibrate normal to the surface, while OH species are randomly aligned and/or partially screened from each other as a result of being located in a sub-surface layer. Such ZnH and OH orientations are more likely to be found on the ZnO (0001) surface than on the ZnO (000 $\bar{1}$ ) surface.

In Fig. 4 we show a model of the (2x2) reconstructed ZnO (0001) surface in which one quarter of the Zn cations have been removed. Possible H<sub>2</sub> adsorption sites have been indicated, subject to the constraint that no more than one adsorption site exists for each missing Zn cation. With this constraint, we note that the average nearest neighbor separation between Type I sites will be 6.5 Å. Also, we have drawn the figure showing the absorbed H species located directly above the Zn or O ions. It is possible that the H atoms are laterally displaced somewhat, perhaps closer to the three-fold co-ordinated "hollow" sites between ions.

Dynamic Dipole Interactions. In the presence of an isotopically equivalent neighbor, the frequency (expressed as wave number, cm<sup>-1</sup>) of a reference dipole is shifted upward from its isolated species value,  $\omega_0$ , due to coupling with the oscillating electric field produced by a neighboring dipole. The new frequency,  $\omega_{ii}^d$ , is given by (10, 15):

$$\left(\omega_{ii}^d\right)^2 = \left(\omega_0\right)^2 + \frac{1}{4\pi^2 c^2} \left(\frac{\partial \mu}{\partial r}\right)_i^2 \frac{1}{m_r} \phi_{ii} \quad (5)$$

where  $\phi_{ii}$  is a geometric factor which accounts for the separation and relative orientation of the dipoles:

$$\phi_{ii} = - \frac{(\vec{E}_{ii} \cdot \vec{\mu}_i)}{|\vec{\mu}_i|^2} \quad (6)$$

Here  $\vec{E}_{ii}$  is the electric field induced by the neighboring dipole at the position of the reference oscillator, and  $\vec{\mu}_i$  is the static dipole moment vector of the reference oscillator. Equation (6) is based on the point dipole approximation and the assumption that the static and dynamic dipoles have the same direction. For parallel nearest neighbors  $\phi_{ii} = 1/R_{ii}^3$ , where  $R_{ii}$  is the dipole separation distance.

In Table 1 we list the predicted dynamic shift for each species for a pair of isotopically similar adsorbates separated by 6.5 Å, the average nearest neighbor separation suggested above. The first two columns contain the parameter values for  $(\partial\mu/\partial r)$  and  $\omega_0$  used in the calculation. The dynamic shifts predicted by Eq. (5) are given in the third column. Qualitative agreement with experimental results is already apparent, in that the predicted shifts per dipole pair are much greater for ZnH ( $0.58 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ) and ZnD ( $0.25 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ) than for OH ( $0.14 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ) and OD ( $0.08 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ).

The dynamic shifts calculated above for a single pair of interacting adsorbates cannot be compared directly with the observed dynamic shifts, because the latter reflect interactions with all neighbors. For adsorbed dipoles oriented normal to the surface, the ratio of the total shift to the single nearest neighbor shift is given by the Madelung constant for the surface dipole lattice sum:

$$M = L^3 \sum_{i'} (1/R_{ii'})^3, \quad (7)$$

where  $L$  is the nearest neighbor separation and the summation is made over all neighbors  $R_{ii'}$ . If we assume as an upper limit that every Zn vacancy in the reconstructed ZnO (0001) surface creates one  $\text{H}_2$  adsorption site, then the adsorption site lattice has hexagonal symmetry, and we can use  $M = 11.034$  (27) to obtain the total predicted shift. These total predicted shifts are

listed in the fourth column of Table 1. For comparison, the observed shifts are listed in the final column. The latter quantities are the frequency shifts observed between the composition extremes shown in Fig. 3. Recall that the results in Fig. 3 were obtained at constant total coverage, so that no changes in static interactions should be present.

We see that the agreement is quite acceptable for all species except OH, for which the predicted shift exceeds the observed shift by  $0.6 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ . We believe this indicates the OH (and OD) species are not parallel, but instead are tilted away from the surface normal. The latter orientation would result in a value of  $\phi_{ii} < 1/R_{ii}^3$ , which would reduce the predicted dynamic frequency shift. A tilted OH axis would be expected from a valence bond description of  $\text{H}_2$  adsorption on the ZnO (0001) surface.

Static dipole interactions. The effect of changes in local environment on the vibrational frequency of an anharmonic oscillator has been treated by Buckingham, who obtained the following expression for solvent induced static frequency shifts,  $\Delta\omega_{ij}^s$  (11, 12):

$$\Delta\omega_{ij}^s = \left[ \frac{B_e}{hc\omega_0^0} \right]_i \left[ \left( \frac{\partial^2 U_{ij}}{\partial \epsilon_i^2} \right) - 3a \left( \frac{\partial U_{ij}}{\partial \epsilon_i} \right) \right] \quad (8)$$

where  $B_e = [h/(8\pi^2 m_r c r_e^2)]$  is the rotational constant,  $\epsilon = [(r-r_e)/r_e]$  is the vibrational coordinate,  $r$  is the bond length of the reference oscillator,  $a = -(\omega_e x_e / B_e)^{1/2}$  is the first anharmonicity constant of the potential energy surface of the reference oscillator (28), and  $U_{ij}$  is the interaction energy between the reference oscillator and the surrounding molecules.

As above, we shall apply Eq. (8) to the case of a reference oscillator interacting with a single neighboring pair site. The electrostatic contribution to the interaction energy is:

$$U_{ij} = -\frac{\vec{E}_{ij} \cdot \vec{\mu}_i}{r_{ij}^2} \quad (9)$$

Within the point dipole approximation,  $\vec{E}_{ij}$  is independent of the reference oscillator vibrational coordinate, and the necessary derivatives for use in Eq. (8) can be obtained using a Taylor series expansion for  $\vec{\mu}_i$ :

$$\vec{\mu}_i = \vec{e} [\mu + (\partial\mu/\partial r) \Delta r + \dots] \quad (10)$$

where  $\vec{e}$  is the unit vector parallel to the adsorbate bond axis and  $\mu$  is the dipole moment, including sign. We can make no estimate of the second order and the higher dipole derivatives for these adsorbates, but expect them to be small relative to the first derivative (22). For example, the absence of significant intensity in the  $0 \rightarrow 2$  overtone of the ZnH mode implies a small anharmonicity, and hence very small values for the higher order dipole derivatives.

Combining Eqs. (8-10), we obtain our final expression for the electrostatic frequency shift,  $\Delta\omega_{ij}^{es}$ :

$$\Delta\omega_{ij}^{es} = \left[ \frac{3B_e r_e a}{hc\omega_o} \right]_i \left( \frac{\partial\mu}{\partial r} \right)_i (\vec{E}_{ij} \cdot \vec{e}_i) \quad (11)$$

Because the relative frequency shift,  $\Delta\omega^{es}/\omega_o$ , is nearly independent of isotropic identity for static interactions, we will only examine the electrostatic frequency shifts for  $\omega_{ZnH}$  and  $\omega_{OH}$ . The additional parameters needed for this calculation are  $r_e = 1.595 \text{ \AA}$  and  $a = -2.88$  for ZnH,  $r_e = 0.970 \text{ \AA}$  and  $a = -2.12$  for OH (23). The static dipole moment is estimated to be  $\mu = -0.47 \text{ D}$  for ZnH (1 Debye =  $10^{-18}$  esu-cm), based on the percentage of ionic character predicted by the Pauling electronegativity difference (24), and  $\mu = 1.59 \text{ D}$  for OH, based on the observed dipole moment of  $H_2O$  (25). The absolute values of  $(\partial\mu/\partial r)$  were given in Table 1, and the signs are assumed to be the same as for  $\mu$ .

The frequency shifts predicted by Eq. (11) for each of the four pairings of reference and neighboring dipoles are listed in Table II. For simplicity, we have again assumed parallel dipoles and  $6.5 \text{ \AA}$  for the nearest neighbor separation, recognizing that the former assumption will overestimate the electrostatic shift for OH species. The predicted total shift for each reference

species, i, is obtained by adding the two shifts due to both types of neighbor species, j, and multiplying by the Madelung constant (=11.034). We do not include the shift due to interactions between the ZnH and OH dipoles that occupy the reference pair site; since these two species are always present simultaneously (cf. Eq. 1), their "self-interaction" cannot be resolved experimentally. The predicted electrostatic shifts can be compared with the observed static shifts, given in the fourth column of Table II. The latter are obtained from the total shifts observed in Fig. 2 by subtracting the dynamic shifts found in Fig. 3

We note that the predicted electrostatic shift is positive for OH and negative for ZnH. This can be explained physically as follows: The net dipole moment at an occupied  $H_2$  site is positive (i.e.,  $\mu_{OH} + \mu_{ZnH} > 0$ ). Therefore, an occupied neighboring site produces a negative electric field at the reference site. This produces a decrease in the equilibrium OH bond length and an increase in the ZnH bond length, since  $(\partial\mu/\partial r)_{OH} > 0$  and  $(\partial\mu/\partial r)_{ZnH} < 0$  (c.f. Eq. 9). Since the anharmonicity constant is negative, the new equilibrium bond lengths produce a positive frequency shift in  $\omega_{OH}$  and a negative shift in  $\omega_{ZnH}$ .

Chemical (inductive) interactions. The difference between the observed static shift and the calculated electrostatic contribution is listed in the final column of Table II for each reference species. These differences are attributed to chemical interactions between adsorbates. The chemical shift is  $-26 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  for  $\omega_{OH}$  and  $+22 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  for  $\omega_{ZnH}$ .

Boccuzzi et al. (8) have attributed the observed negative OH frequency shift to a decrease in OH bond polarity, caused by a depolarization of the ZnO surface brought about by  $H_2$  adsorption. While this would appear to be a reasonable explanation for the OH shift alone, we note that  $H_2$  induced polarization should also decrease the ZnH bond polarity and produce a negative ZnH shift. However, the results in Table II indicate that a positive chemical

shift exists for ZnH, which suggests an increase in polarity for the ZnH bond.

Instead, we offer the following alternative explanation for chemically-induced frequency shifts based on arguments analogous to those for inductive effects observed in vibrational spectra of organic molecules (30).

As suggested schematically by Eq. (1), a vacant site capable of homolytic  $H_2$  dissociation must be able to provide two electrons in order to complete both new adsorbate bonds. Thus, we can consider  $H_2$  adsorption to be an electron localizing process with regard to electron density initially present at a vacant site.  $H_2$  adsorption will decrease the available electron density at neighboring sites (i.e., a negative  $\sigma$ -induction effect (30)). This will decrease the polarity of the OH bond, in which O is the electronegative partner, and increase the polarity of the ZnH bond, in which Zn is the electropositive partner. Therefore, the effect of neighboring  $H_2$  adsorbates will be to produce a negative inductive contribution to the OH frequency shift and a positive contribution to the ZnH shift. From the results in Table II, we can conclude that for OH species the chemical contribution outweighs the electrostatic, and a net negative static shift is observed. For ZnH, the chemical and electrostatic shifts fortuitously cancel, so that no net static shift is seen.

We emphasize that the proposed electron localization model offers a simple description of the chemically induced contribution to the OH and ZnH static frequency shifts. The inductive interaction provides an equally straightforward explanation for  $H_2$ -CO frequency interactions in that co-adsorption system, as we will describe in a subsequent publication (26).

#### V. Summary

Using pure- and mixed-isotope studies of  $H_2$  adsorption of ZnO, we have shown that the coverage-induced shifts of ZnH and ZnD are dynamic in origin, while the shifts of OH and OD are due to static interactions. The dynamic



$\omega_{\text{ZnH}}$  and  $\omega_{\text{ZnD}}$  shifts are described well by Hamaker's treatment of dynamic dipole interactions; a comparison of the predicted shift for a pair of nearest neighbor adsorbates with the observed total shift yields a value for the surface dipole Madelung sum which is consistent with an adsorption geometry based on a reconstructed polar ZnO surface, assuming an average site separation distance of 6.5 Å. Dynamic  $\omega_{\text{OH}}$  and  $\omega_{\text{OD}}$  shifts are completely absent. Also the absence of background OH shifts suggests that adsorption occurs on ZnO (0001) surfaces that are free of residual OH groups.

The observed static OH shift and the negligible static ZnH shift appear to be the result of completing electrostatic and inductive interactions. For OH, electrostatic interactions produce a positive contribution while chemical interactions make a larger, negative contribution. For ZnH, electrostatic interactions produce a negative contribution while chemical interactions produce an equal, positive contribution. The electrostatic shifts can be predicted using a modification of Buckingham's treatment of solvent-induced shifts to describe the effect of electric fields due to neighboring dipoles. The inductive shifts can be qualitatively described by considering  $\text{H}_2$  adsorption to be an electron-localizing process which causes neighboring OH bond polarities to decrease and the ZnH bond polarities to increase as  $\text{H}_2$  coverage increases.

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### Figure Captions

1. IR survey spectra of reversible adsorption of  $H_2$  and  $D_2$  on ZnO at 300 K.  
Lower spectrum: ZnO background (evacuated). Upper spectra: —  $P_{H_2} = 75$  torr;  
---  $P_{D_2} = 75$  torr.
2. Coverage dependence of IR stretching frequencies for pure  $H_2$  or  $D_2$  adsorbed on ZnO.
3. Coverage dependence of IR stretching frequencies for  $H_2$ - $D_2$  mixtures adsorbed on ZnO.  $T = 300$  K,  $P_{H_2} + P_{D_2} = 87.5$  torr.
4. Diagram of  $(2 \times 2)$  reconstructed ZnO (0001) surface showing possible  $H_2$  adsorption sites.

Table 1: Calculated IR frequency shifts based on dynamic dipole interactions: Comparison with observed shifts for isotopic dilution at constant total coverage.

Adsorbate Species	$ \partial\mu/\partial r $	$\omega_0$ (cm <sup>-1</sup> )	$(\Delta\omega_{ii}^d)^b$ (cm <sup>-1</sup> )	Total shift (cm <sup>-1</sup> )	
	$(D/\text{\AA})^a$			predicted <sup>c</sup>	observed <sup>d</sup>
OH	1.27	3498	0.14	1.6	< 1.0
OD	1.13	2589	0.076	0.8	< 1.0
ZnH	1.79	1707	0.58	6.4	5.0
ZnD	1.42	1228	0.25	2.8	3.5

a)  $1 \text{ D/\AA} = 10^{-10} \text{ esu}$

b) Single neighbor interaction,  $R_{ii} = 6.5 \text{ \AA}$

c) Given by  $11.034 \cdot (\Delta\omega_{ii}^d)$

d) From Fig. 3

Table II: Calculated electrostatic contribution to IR frequency shifts: comparison with observed pure component frequency shifts, corrected for dynamic contributions.

Reference species	Neighboring species	$\Delta\omega_{ij}^{es\ a}$ ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ )	Total shift ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ )		
			<u>electrostatic<sup>b</sup></u>	<u>observed<sup>c</sup></u>	<u>inductive<sup>d</sup></u>
OH	OH	1.2			
	ZnH	-0.4			
	$\Sigma (= \Delta\omega_i^{es})$	0.8	9.0	$-17.0 \pm 1.5$	-26
ZnH	ZnH	0.8			
	OH	-2.7			
	$\Sigma (= \Delta\omega_i^{es})$	-2.0	-22.1	$-0.0 \pm 1.5$	+22

a) Single neighbor interaction,  $R_{ij} = 6.5 \text{ \AA}$

b) Given by  $(11.034)(\Delta\omega_i^{es})$

c) Will include electrostatic and chemical interactions

d) Difference between observed shift and calculated electrostatic contribution

IR Spectra of Reversible Adsorption  
of  $\text{H}_2$  and  $\text{D}_2$  on  $\text{ZnO}$  ( $T = 300 \text{ K}$ )

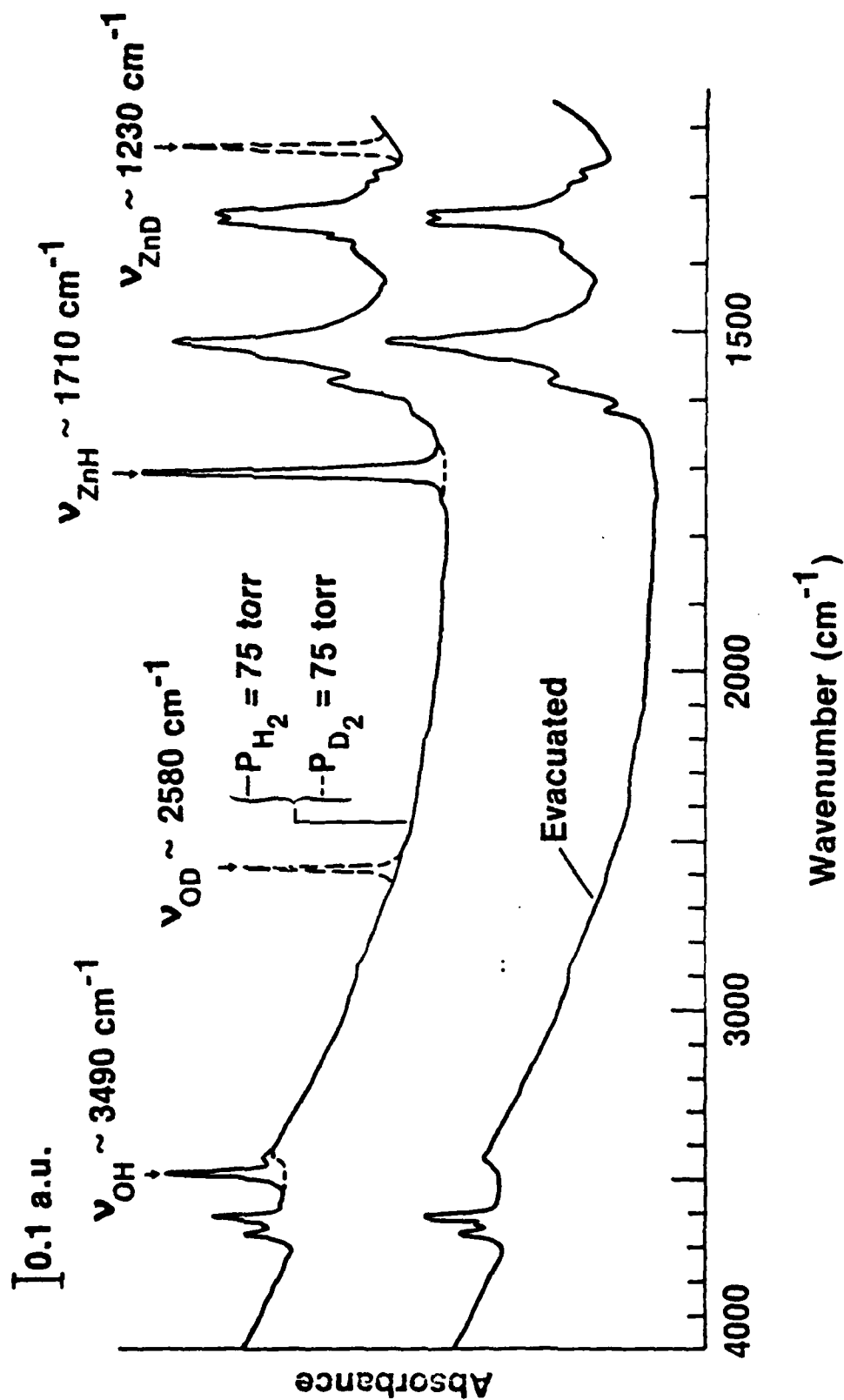


Figure 1

Coverage Dependence of IR Stretching  
Frequencies for Pure  $H_2$  ( $D_2$ ) Adsorbed on ZnO

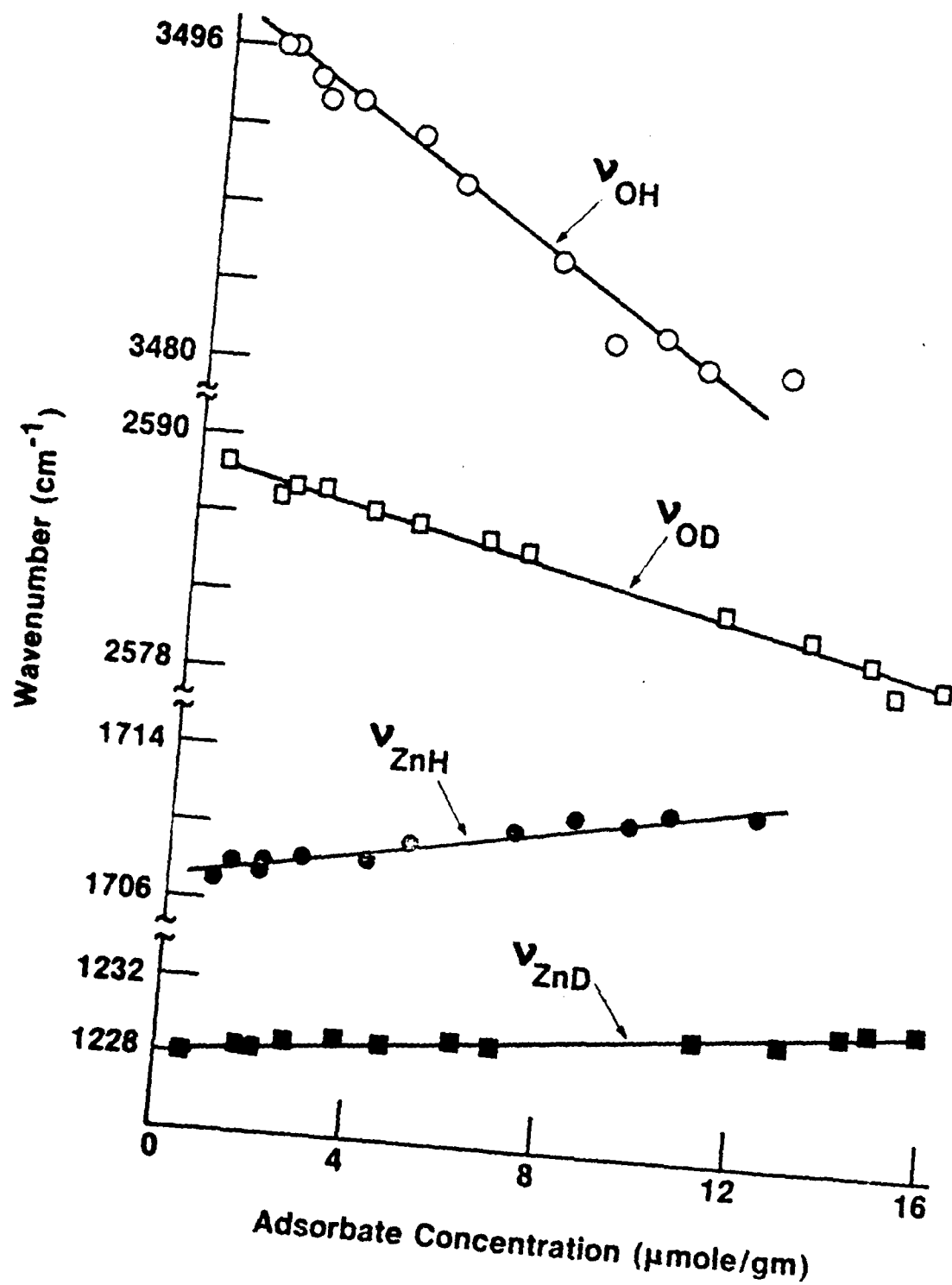


Figure 2



Coverage Dependence of IR Stretching  
Frequencies for  $\text{H}_2\text{-D}_2$  Mixtures  
Adsorbed On ZnO (300 K,  $P_{\text{TOT}} = 87.5$  torr)

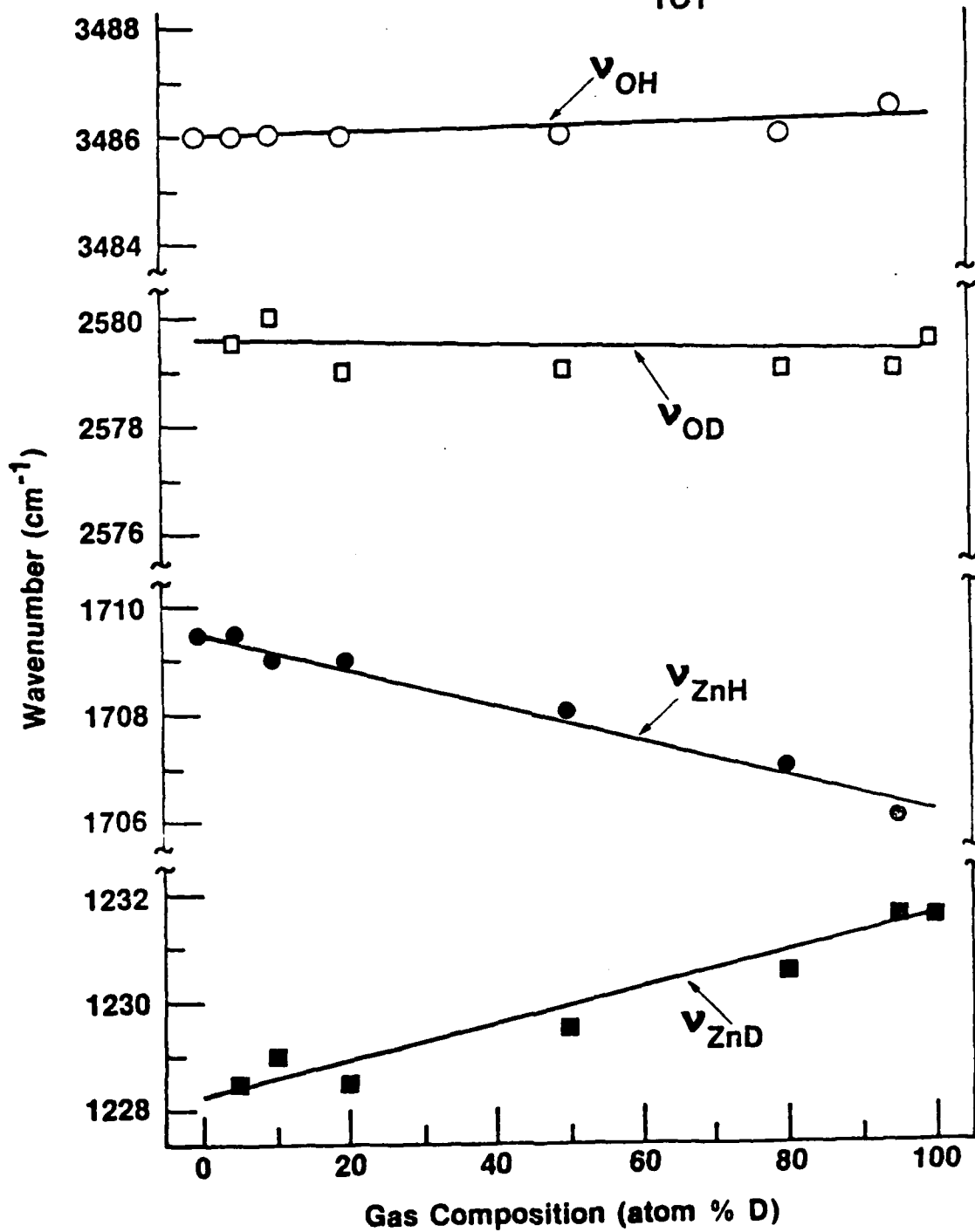


Figure 3

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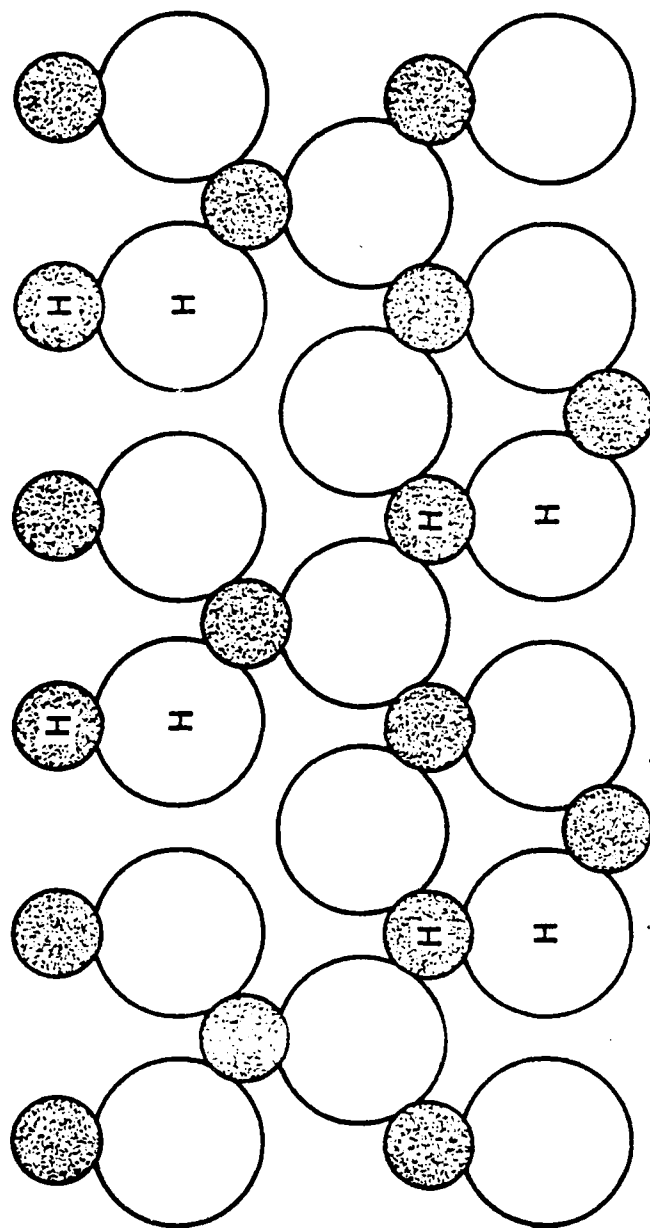


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